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## Interview Summary

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| Type: a)⊠ Telephonic b)□ Video Conference c)□ Personal [copy given to: 1)□ applicant 2  | 2)☐ applicant's representative   | e]                               |                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes If Yes, brief description:   | e)⊠ No.  |                                  |                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Claim(s) discussed: all of record.  |  |                                  |                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Identification of prior art discussed: all of record (esp. Crawford '123 and '956, and Curtis).   |  |                                  |                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agreement with respect to the claims f)□ was reached. g)⊠ was not reached. h)□ N/A.   |  |                                  |                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The examiner and Applicant discussed possible ways of overcoming the Crawford and Curtis references, such as further defining the thin flange as being compressed. Nothing definite was decided or agreed upon. Applicant will submit something for further search and/or consideration. |  |                                  |                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| (A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)  |  |                                  |                     |  |  |  |  |  |
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